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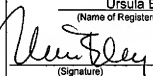
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Docket No.: HESS

In re Application of:)
RAUL HESS)
Appl. No.: 10/572,755) Exam.: A. Merouan
Filed: March 20, 2006) Group Art Unit: 4192
For: METHOD FOR MANIPULATING A THREE-DIMENSIONAL SURFACE) Confirmation No.: 9551

SECOND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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S I R:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the reference listed on enclosed form PTO-1449 which was cited in a German Office Action issued by the German Patent Office with regard to the corresponding German patent application No. 103 45 081.5, and which was received by applicant on March 27, 2008.

Applicant does not admit that any of the cited documents constitutes prior art against the pending application.

A copy of this reference is submitted herewith along with form PTO-1449. The Examiner is requested to initial the attached form PTO-1449 and to return a copy of the initialed document to the undersigned as an indication that the attached references have been considered and made of record.

The undersigned submits the following statement requesting consideration of this statement:

The undersigned hereby states:

That no item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was known to any individual designated in §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement. Accordingly, applicant believes that no fee is due.

In order to satisfy the requirement under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3) for a concise explanation of the relevance of each item of information, applicant herewith notes with respect to any information that is not in English language as follows:

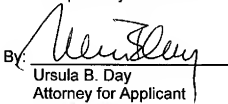
German Pat. Appl. Publ. DE 197 41 998 A1 describes a method comprising altering the surface of an embossing tool rough cast or an embossing tool using a laser beam at little depth to achieve esp. defined optical effects on the tool surface, e.g. derived from digital photography or image scanning.

The above-identified application discloses and claims an invention patentable over this prior art.

Entry of the reference above set forth into the file of the above application is believed to be in order and is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0502.

Respectfully submitted

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